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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

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This is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed April 2, 2003. Applicants inadvertently omitted a clean version of amended claims 1 and 2 included in their Amendment in Response to Paper No. 7 faxed to the USPTO on March 28, 2003. Following is a clean version of claims 1 and 2:

IN THE CLAIMS:

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1. (Amended) A method of thermally spray coating a cylinder wall of a metal engine block, said method comprising:
providing a high velocity oxygen fuel (HVOF) device;
advancing a feed wire of ferrous-based material into the HVOF device to locate a tip end of the wire in a high temperature zone of the HVOF device;